

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
GREENVILLE DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	)	C/A No. 6:18-cv-01932
<i>ex rel.</i> DANIEL E. LEE, M.D.	)	
	)	
Relator,	)	
	)	
vs.	)	<b>JOINT STATUS REPORT</b>
	)	
BON SECOURS ST. FRANCIS HEALTH	)	
SYSTEM, INC., et al.	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	
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Relator Daniel E. Lee, M.D., and Defendants Bon Secours St. Francis Health System, Inc., Bon Secours Health System, Inc., Bon Secours Mercy Health, Inc., St. Francis Hospital, Inc., Bon Secours Medical Group, and St. Francis Physician Services, Inc. (collectively referred to as “the Bon Secours Defendants”) hereby submit this Joint Status Report pursuant to the Court’s April 4, 2023 Order. Since the parties’ previous Joint Status Report, submitted to the Court on March 31, 2023, the parties have been in regular discussions with Government counsel and are negotiating final edits to the draft settlement agreement. The parties are awaiting final approval of the settlement from the Department of Justice, and Government counsel has informed the parties that they anticipate receiving final approval within approximately two (2) weeks. Thereafter, all parties (including the Government) will promptly notify the Court that the settlement has been consummated.

Respectfully submitted this 9<sup>th</sup> of May 2023.

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